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HOUSE MEMORIAL 36

**48TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2007**

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A MEMORIAL

REQUESTING THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION STUDY THE  
FEASIBILITY OF ESTABLISHING A FLASHING GREEN LIGHT WARNING  
SYSTEM WITHIN THE CURRENT LIGHT CONTROL SYSTEM TO WARN  
MOTORISTS THAT THE CAUTION LIGHT IS ABOUT TO ACTIVATE.

WHEREAS, the number of accidents occurring at traffic  
light controlled intersections can be avoided by incorporating  
a flashing green light signal to warn motorists in advance of a  
caution light about to activate; and

WHEREAS, a change in the current traffic control systems  
can positively protect motorists from accidents and traffic  
citations while not being able to safely clear the  
intersection; and

WHEREAS, technology can greatly assist with an economical  
solution to reduce intersection accidents and traffic

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1 citations; and

2 WHEREAS, entities charged with establishing traffic  
3 regulation and enforcement should become informed about the new  
4 technologies and capabilities of traffic lights that can assist  
5 with accident and traffic citation reduction; and

6 WHEREAS, the general public should be provided with a  
7 clear and visible warning that the through traffic light is  
8 about to change;

9 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF  
10 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE LEGISLATURE OF NEW MEXICO that the  
11 department of transportation be requested to take all actions  
12 necessary to review, assess, evaluate and report to an  
13 appropriate legislative interim committee by November 30, 2007,  
14 the benefits, effectiveness and costs of implementing a  
15 flashing green light system statewide; and

16 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this memorial be  
17 transmitted to the secretary of transportation.

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